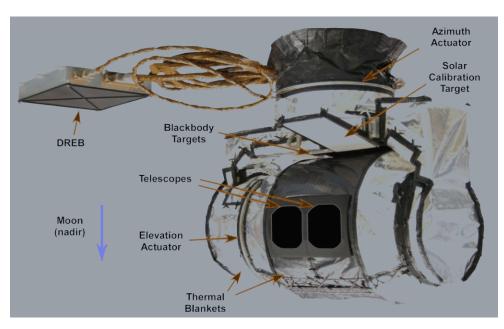


LRO DIVINER SOIL
COMPOSITION
MEASUREMENTS –
LUNAR SAMPLE
"GROUND TRUTH"

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# **LRO Diviner Overview**

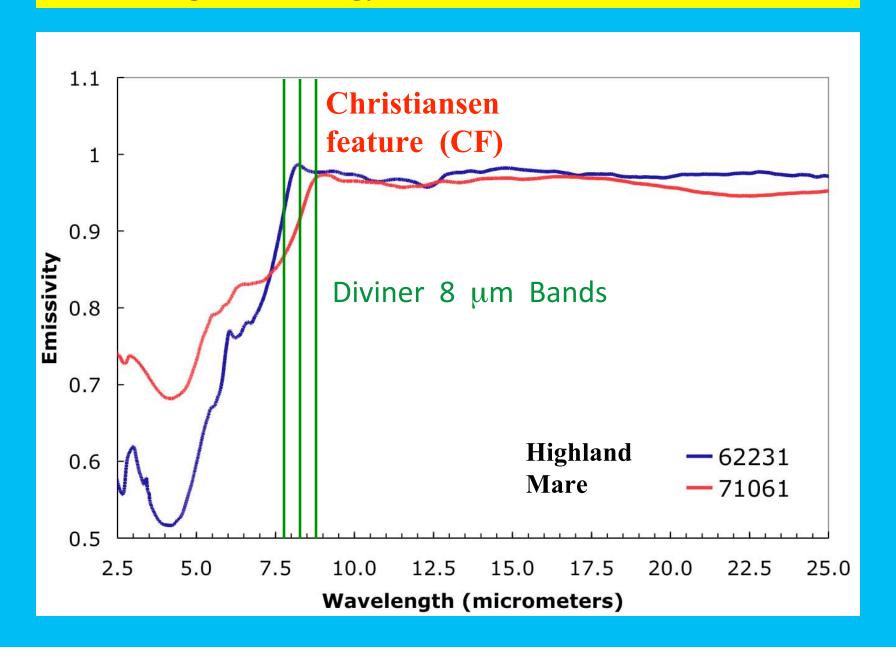


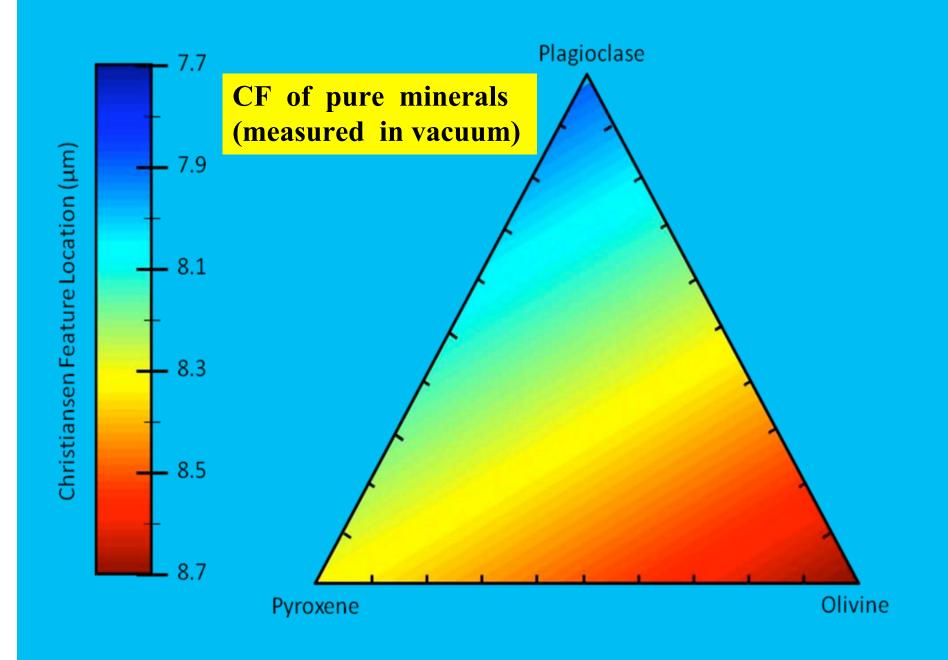
Observation Strategy	Primarily nadir pushbroommapping	
Detectors	Nine 21 -element linear arrays of uncooled thermopile detectors	
Fields of view	Detector Geometric IFOV: 6.7 mrad in-track 3.4 mrad crosstrack 320 m on ground in track for 50 km altitude 160 m on ground cross track for 50 km altitude Swath Width (Center to center of extreme pixels): 67 mrad; 3.4 km on ground for 50 km altitude	

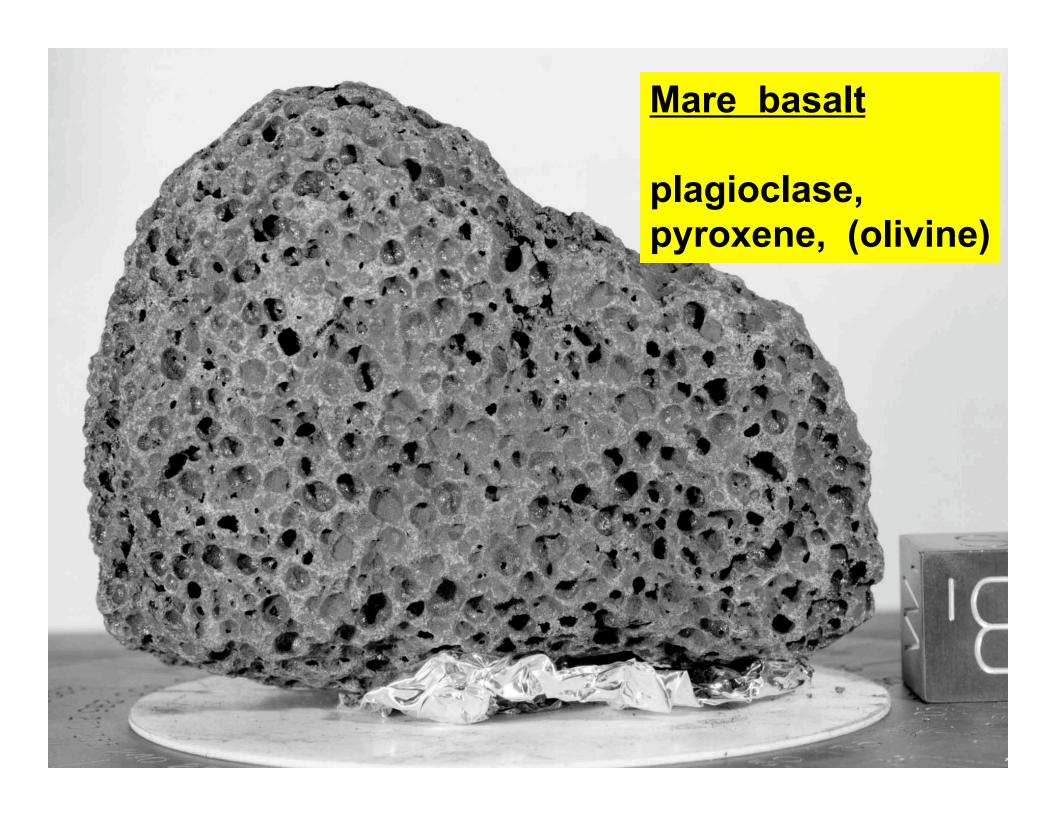
#### **Science Goals**

- Characterize the Moon's surface thermal environments:
  - Daytime
  - Nighttime
  - Polar
- 2. Map properties of the lunar surface:
  - Bulk thermal properties
  - Rock abundance
  - Composition
- 3. Characterize polar cold traps:

## Measuring mineralogy from orbit in the thermal IR

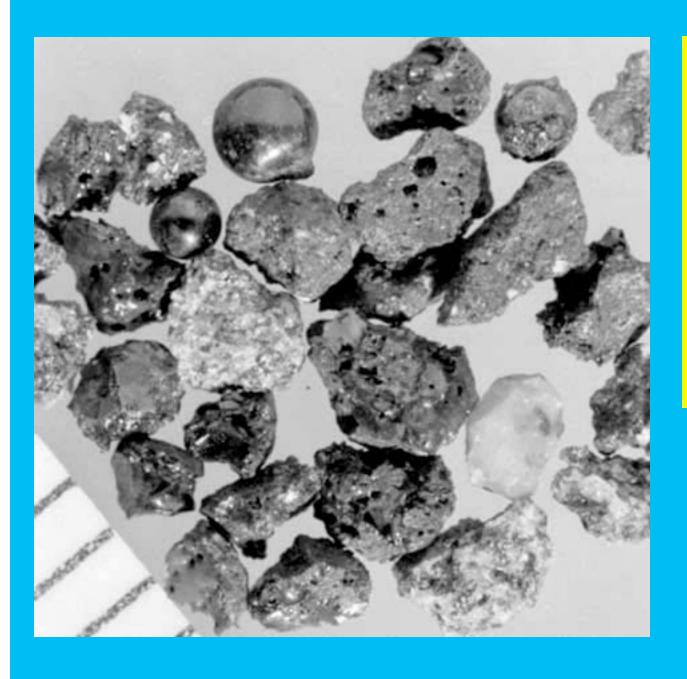






# Highlands anorthosite mostly plagioclase





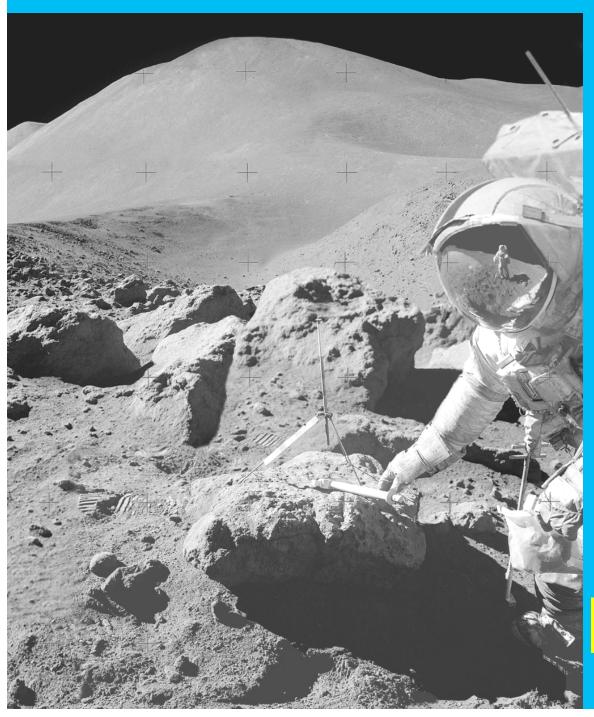
# Lunar soil

Physical mixture of fine-scale rock and glass (impact and volcanic)

1 mm



How well do
Diviner CF
values
correlate with
Apollo surface
compositions?

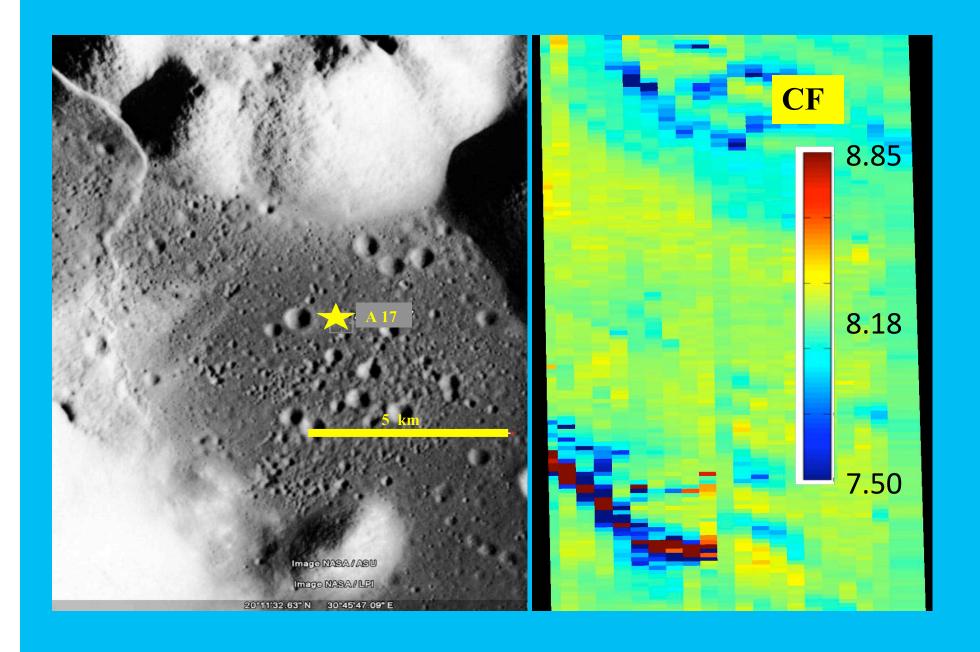


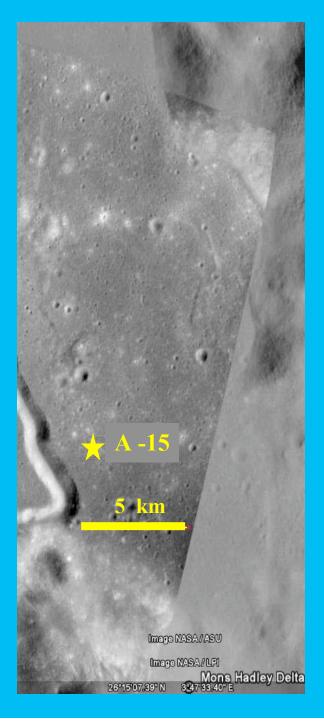
#### Ground truth -

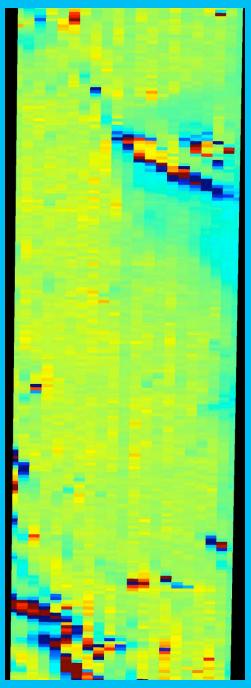
Lunar surfaces are dominated by soil and rocks.

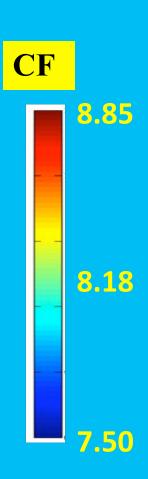
Lunar soils closely approximate the compositions of underlying rocks.

Apollo 15

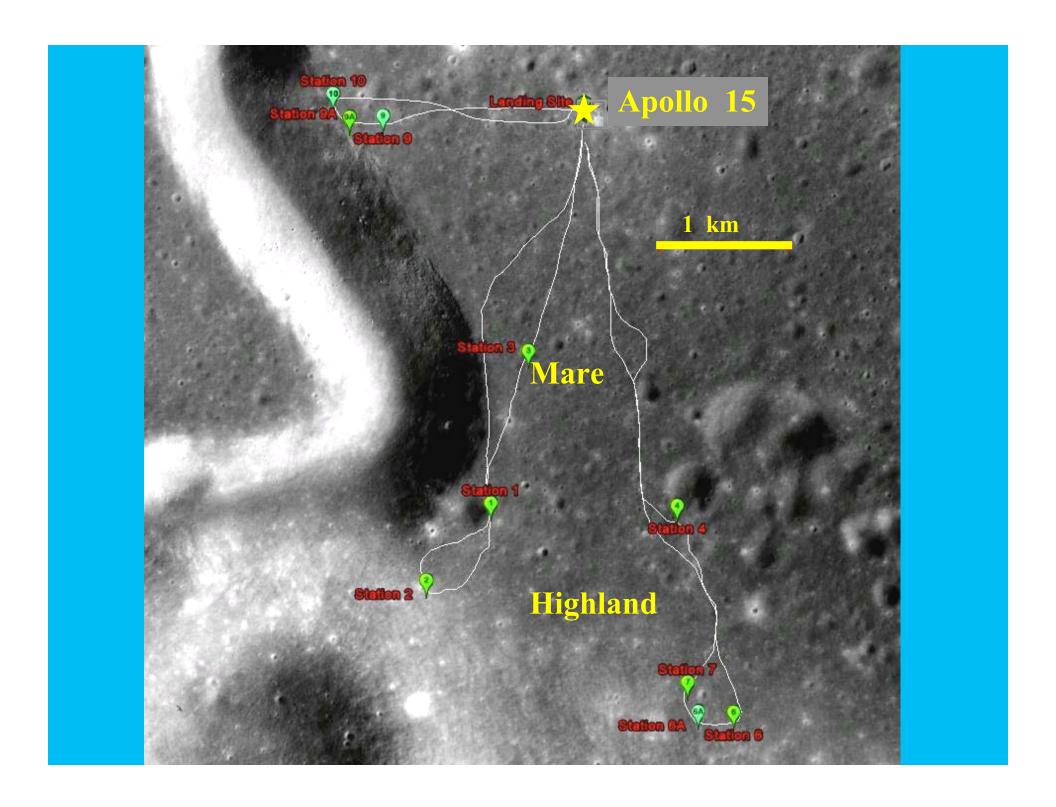








CF varies with topography and mineralogy





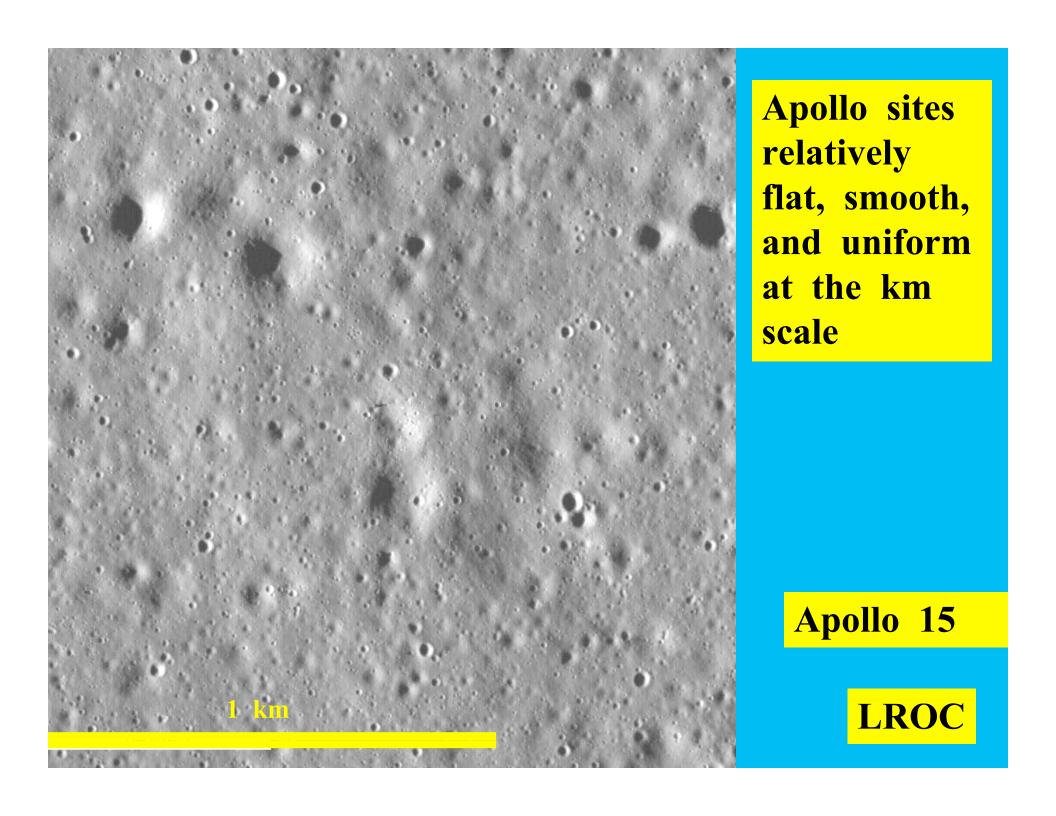
What data are representative of Apollo landing site soil compositions?

- Oxide Abundances
- Modal Mineralogy

Taylor *et al* (2001; 2009)

# **Representative Lunar Soils**

SITE	SAMPLE	I <sub>s</sub> /FeO
Apollo 11	10084	78
Apollo 12	12001	56
Apollo 14	14259	85
Apollo 15	15071	<b>52</b>
Apollo 16	61141	56
Apollo 17	70181	47



## SITE DATE (2009) MEAN CF VALUE (µm)

8.33

8.12

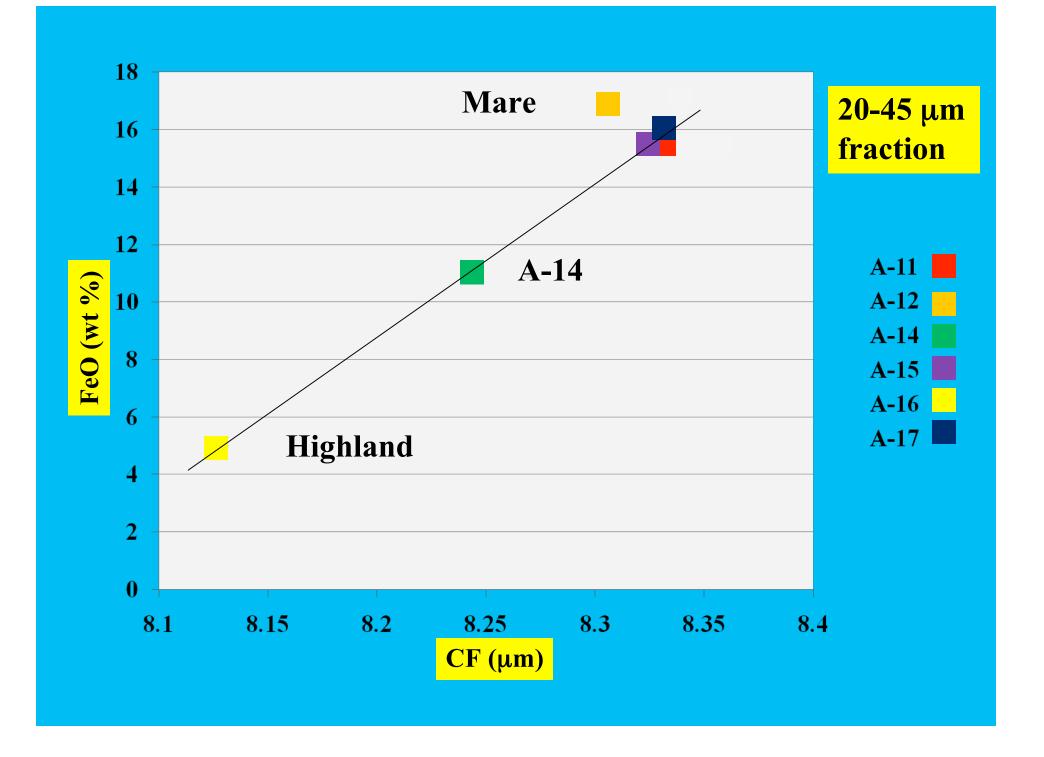
Apollo 1110/298.33Apollo 1210/58.30Apollo 1411/18.24Apollo 159/68.32

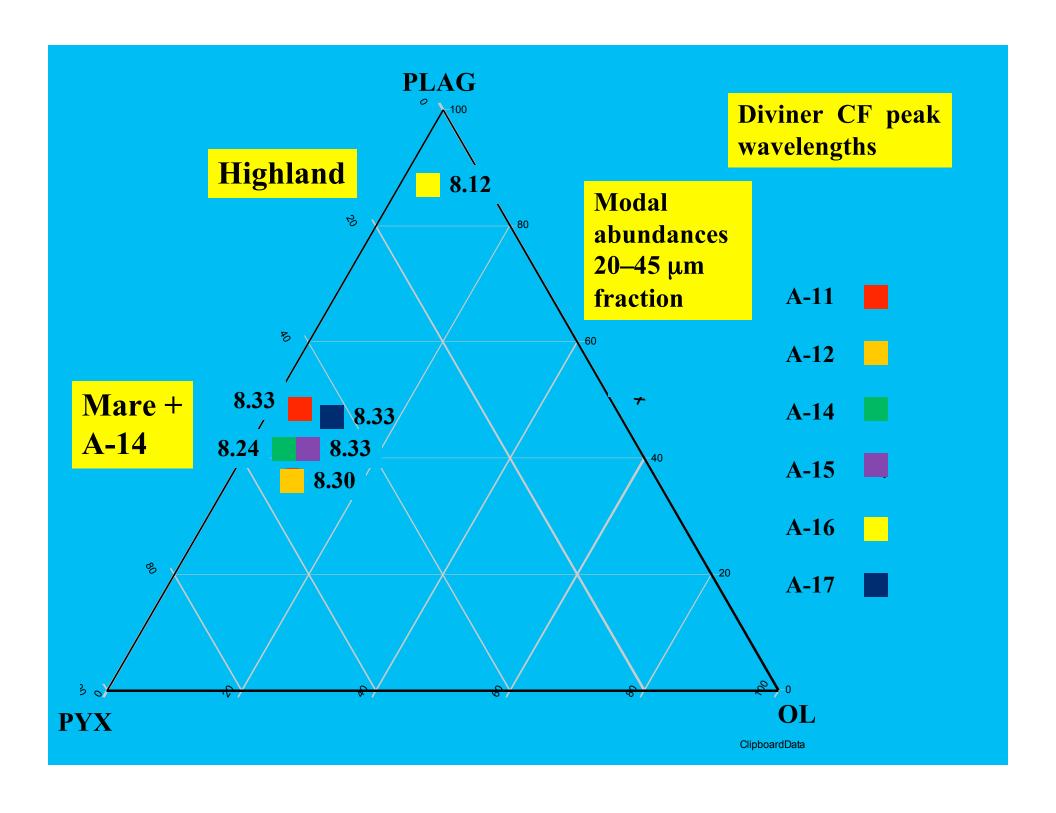
2 X 2 km around each landing site

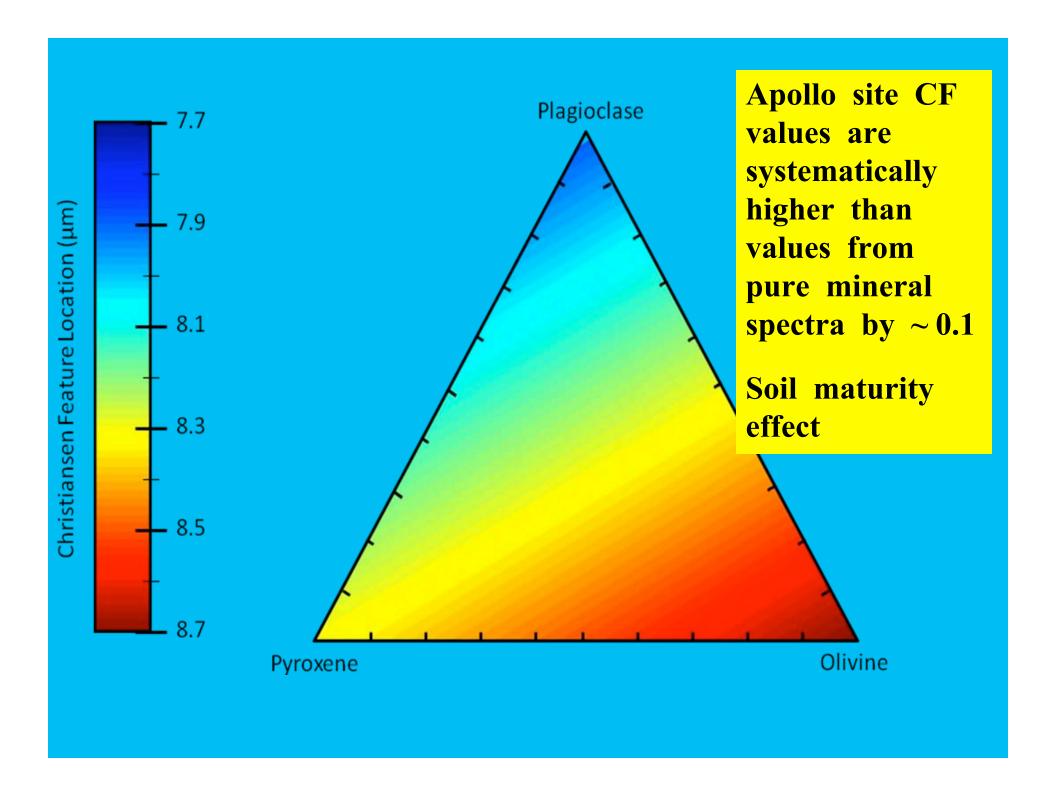
**Apollo 15** 10/3

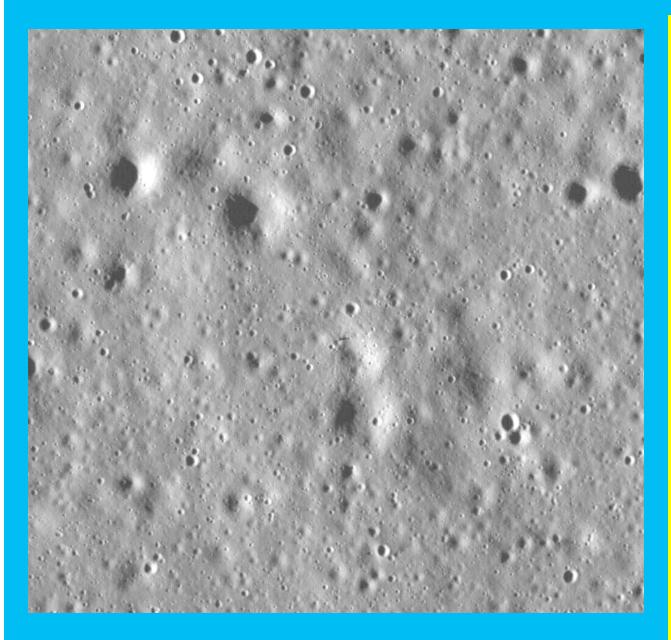
**Apollo 16** 9/5

**Apollo 17** 9/4 8.33









Diviner CF
peak locations
are closely
correlated to
soil iron
content and
major
mineralogy.

Peak locations are sensitive to local geology and soil maturity.



Stay tuned for Greenhagen *et al.* (talk # 4)

... extending
these results to
the entire Moon

Wyatt et al. (talk # 7)

... analyzingpure plagioclaseregions